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HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT
LOK SABHA

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MANIKRAO HODLYA GAVIT;NAMDEO HARBAJI DIWATHE

Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether attention of the Government has been drawn to the news-item captioned "Azaad va Bhagat Singh Aatanki the" appearing in the "Nav Bharat" dated January 29, 2001;

(b) if so, the facts of the matter reported therein;

(c) the reaction of the Government thereto;

(d) whether the Government propose to conduct any inquiry into the matter; and

(e) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (DR. MURLI MANOHAR JOSHI)

(a): Yes, Sir.

(b): The article refers to the books published by Education Department of Uttar Pradesh Government. There is no reference to the books published by NCERT in this news-item.

(c), (d) & (e): School education is a concurrent subject implementation of which is a major responsibility of the States/UTs. Government of U.P. have informed that they have ordered an enquiry into the matter when a similar report appeared in "Hindustan" on 21st January, 2001.